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Re: 1998 Annual Access Tariff Filings, CC Docket 98-104, and, "In the Matter of Defining Primary Lines", CC Docket 97-181 /

Dear Ms. Salas:

The attached letter is being submitted to Jane Jackson regarding the above referenced proceedings.

Please include this letter and the attachment into the record as appropriate. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joseph J. Mulieri".

Attachment

cc: J. Atkinson
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Ms. Jane Jackson
Chief, Competitive Pricing Division
Common Carrier Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W., Room 518
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: 1998 Annual Access Tariff Filings, CC Docket 98-104, and, "In the Matter of Defining Primary Lines", CC Docket 97-181

Dear Ms. Jackson:

In order to resolve issues that were raised in response to Bell Atlantic's 1998 Annual Access Tariff Filings without the necessity for an investigation by the Commission, Bell Atlantic filed Transmittal No. 513 (NYNEX - F.C.C. No. 1), and Transmittal No. 1065 (Bell Atlantic - F.C.C. No. 1) on July 23, 1998 proposing the following changes to its tariffs;

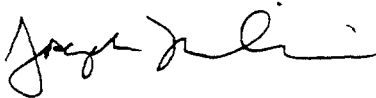
1. Apply "R" adjustments to the reversals of various one-time exogenous cost adjustments from previous years, including 800 database costs, other billing and collection costs, and the redistribution of sharing amounts;
2. Modify the exogenous cost adjustment for SS7-STP costs to use 1992 SS7-STP costs as a percentage of the original transport interconnection charge, applied to transport interconnection charge revenues as of June 30, 1997;
3. Revise the definition of non-primary residential lines from an account-based definition to a service address-based definition, effective January 1, 1999.

The last item will substantially increase the percentage of residential lines that will be subject to non-primary subscriber line charges and presubscribed interexchange carrier charges. Bell

Atlantic expects that the new definition will increase the total percentages of non-primary residential and ISDN-BRI lines to approximately 14 percent from 7.4 percent for the Bell Atlantic-north area, and to approximately 17 percent from 12.19 percent in the Bell Atlantic-south area. Bell Atlantic proposes to make the new definition effective January 1, 1999, because it will take at least that amount of time to make the necessary changes in Bell Atlantic's billing systems. In addition, implementation on January 1, 1999 will allow Bell Atlantic to incorporate these changes in the customer notifications that will be sent to explain the scheduled January 1, 1999 increases in the levels of subscriber line charges and presubscribed interexchange carrier charges. Because the revised definition will not go into effect until January 1, 1999, Bell Atlantic will incorporate it into the price cap indices as part of the other rate revisions that will take place on that date.

If you have any questions about these proposals, please call me at 202-336-7850.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Atkinson", with a stylized, flowing script.

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